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Grundy County Provides COVID-19 Update

MORRIS, IL – Pfizer COVID-19 vaccine eligibility expanded to include persons as young as 12 years old.

Earlier this week, the FDA extended the Emergency Use Authorization (EUA) for Pfizer/BioNTech's COVID-19 Vaccine to ages 12 years and older.

The CDC's independent Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP) met Wednesday, May 12, to review data on the safety, immunogenicity, and efficacy of COVID-19 vaccines, as well as clinical considerations for the use of Pfizer/BioNTech COVID1- vaccines in adolescents under the EUA.

ACIP has determined to expand Pfizer's EUA to include ages 12 to 15. The Pfizer COVID-19 vaccine is now authorized by the EUA for ages 12 years and older. Johnson and Johnson and Moderna vaccines remain authorized only for ages 18 years and older.

Grundy County Health Department is pleased to announce that appointments for Pfizer are available as soon as Friday, May 14, for anyone ages 12 years and older. To access available appointment times, please visit www.grundyhealth.com, or call 815-941-3404.

Minors age 12 and 13 years old need to be accompanied by a parent/legal guardian.

Consistent with (410 ILCS 210/) Consent by Minors to Health Care Services Act, minors age 14 through 17 can be accompanied by an adult other than a parent/legal guardian, but MUST bring a completed Minor Consent Form to the appointment. This Form is to be completed and signed by the parent/legal guardian and designates the adult who will accompany the minor. This Form can be found on our website at www.grundyhealth.com.

Grundy's vaccination site remains supported through the assistance of local volunteers, IL National Guard and contractual nurses. Appointments are offered to any IL resident of the appropriate age.

Residents may visit the Grundy County Health Department website at the start of each week to learn of available clinics for that week. Residents may also call 815-941-3404 to schedule over the phone.

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